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	Darcy W. Greep et al.)
Serial No.:	10/021,607) Art Unit) 3739
Filed:	December 12, 2001)
For:	UTILIZATION OF A MULTI-CHARACTER MATERIAL IN A SURFACE COATING OF AN ELECTROSURGICAL INSTRUMENT	TC 37
Examiner:	Aaron F. Roane	
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response for entry in the above-identified application. Also enclosed are the following:

- x A Certificate of Express Mail Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10
- x Petition for One-Month Extension of Time

- x Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of \$337.00 for
 - \underline{x} \$55.00 for small entity one-month extension of time
 - x \$282.00 for extra claim fee.
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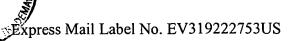
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